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Charge, Marine Inspection a letter justifying the need for the certificate of registry.

(b) The applicant must hold or apply for a merchant mariner's document.

(c) Endorsements for a higher grade are not made on certificates of registry. An applicant for a higher grade in the staff department shall apply in the same manner as for an original certificate of registry and shall surrender the certificate upon issuance of the new certificate of registry. A person holding a certificate of registry as staff officer may serve in a lower grade of a service for which he or she is registered.

(d) Title 46 U.S.C. 8302 addresses uniforms for staff officers who are members of the Naval Reserve.

(e) A duplicate certificate of registry may be issued by the Officer in Charge, Marine Inspection. (See § 10.219.)

(f) A certificate of registry is valid for a term of 5 years from the date of issuance. Procedures for renewing certificates of registry are found in § 10.209. The expiration date of a certificate of registry issued without an expiration date shall be determined in accordance with § 10.811.

(g) Each applicant for an original certificate of registry or a higher grade of certificate of registry, as described by paragraph (c) of this section, shall produce evidence of having passed a chemical test for dangerous drugs or of qualifying for an exception from testing in § 16.220 of this subchapter. An applicant who fails a chemical test for dangerous drugs will not be issued a certificate of registry.

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§ 10.807 Experience requirements for registry.

(a) The applicant for a certificate of registry as staff officer shall submit evidence of experience as follows:

(1) *Chief purser*. Two years of service aboard vessels performing duties relating to work in the purser's office.

(2) *Purser*. One year of service aboard vessels performing duties relating to work in the purser's office.

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(3) *Senior assistant purser*. Six months of service aboard vessels performing duties relating to work in purser's office.

(4) *Junior assistant purser*. Previous experience not required.

(5) *Medical doctor*. A valid license as physician or surgeon issued under the authority of a state or territory of the United States, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, or the District of Columbia.

(6) *Professional nurse*. A valid license as a registered nurse issued under authority of a state or territory of the United States, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, or the District of Columbia.

(b) Employment on shore in connection with ship's business may be accepted in lieu of service aboard vessels. Related shore employment is accepted in the ratio of two months of shore service to count as one month of service aboard vessels.

(c) In computing the length of service required of an applicant for a certificate of registry, service of one season on vessels on the Great Lakes is counted as service of one year.

(d) In the event an applicant for a certificate of registry, other than medical doctor or professional nurse, presents evidence of other qualifications which, in the opinion of the Officer in Charge, Marine Inspection, is equivalent to the experience requirements of this section and is consistent with the duties of a staff officer, the Officer in Charge, Marine Inspection may issue the certificate of registry.

§ 10.809 Experience requirements for ratings endorsed on certificate of registry.

An applicant for rating to be endorsed on a certificate of registry shall submit evidence of experience as follows:

(a) *Marine physician assistant*. Successful completion of an accredited course of instruction for a physician's assistant or nurse practitioner program.

(b) *Hospital corpsman*. A rating of at least hospital corpsman or health services technician, first class in the U.S. Navy, U.S. Coast Guard, U.S. Marine Corps, or an equivalent rating in the

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U.S. Army (not less than staff sergeant, Medical Department, U.S.A.), or in the U.S. Air Force (not less than technical sergeant, Medical Department, U.S.A.F.), and a period of satisfactory service of at least one month in a military hospital or U.S. Public Health Service Hospital.

§ 10.811 Expiration of existing certificates of registry.

The expiration year of a certificate of registry issued without an expiration date is calculated by adding 5-year increments to the issuance date of the certificate of registry, up to first applicable year falling between 1995 and 1999, inclusive. The day and month of expiration are the same as that of issuance. Table 10.811 is provided as an aid for calculating the expiration date of a certificate of registry issued without an expiration date. A certificate of registry is not valid for use after the expiration date calculated under this section, but may be renewed in accordance with the requirements of § 10.209.

TABLE 10.811—EXPIRATION OF CERTIFICATES OF REGISTRY ISSUED WITH NO EXPIRATION DATE¹

Expiration year				
1999	1998	1997	1996	1995
Issue Year				
1994	1993	1992	1991	1990
1989	1988	1987	1986	1985
1984	1983	1982	1981	1980
1979	1978	1977	1976	1975
1974	1973	1972	1971	1970
1969	1968	1967	1966	1965
1964	1963	1962	1961	1960
1959	1958	1957	1956	1955
1954	1953	1952	1951	1950
1949	1948	1947	1946	1945
1944	1943	1942	1941	1940
1939	1938	1937

¹ Find the year in which the certificate of registry was issued (Issue Year), then move up the column to find the Expiration Year. Month and day of expiration correspond to the month and day of issue.

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Subpart I—Subjects of License Examinations and Practical Demonstrations of Competence

§ 10.901 General provisions.

(a) Each applicant for any license listed in this part shall pass examinations on the appropriate subjects listed in this subpart, except as noted in § 10.903(b).

(b) If the license is to be limited in a manner which would render any of the subject matter unnecessary or inappropriate, the examination may be amended accordingly by the Officer in Charge, Marine Inspection. Limitations which may affect the examination content are:

(1) Restricted routes for reduced service licenses (master or mate of vessels of not more than 200 gross tons, operator of uninspected passenger vessels or master or mate (pilot) of towing vessels); or,

(2) Engineer licenses with horsepower restrictions.

(c) Except as provided in §§ 10.202 and 10.209, each applicant for an STCW certificate or endorsement, to be valid for service on or after February 1, 2002, in the following capacities on vessels that operate beyond the Boundary Line shall also furnish sufficient documentary evidence that he or she has made a practical demonstration(s) of competence as set out under the appropriate STCW Regulations (incorporated by reference in § 10.102):

(1) *Deck Department.* (i) Officer in charge of the navigational watch on a seagoing vessel of 500 gross tons (GT) or more.

(ii) Officer in charge of the navigational watch on a seagoing vessel of less than 500 GT not engaged on a near-coastal voyage.

(iii) Officer in charge of the navigational watch on a seagoing vessel of less than 500 GT engaged on a near-coastal voyage.

(iv) Master and chief mate on a seagoing vessel of 3,000 GT or more.